

Declaration For U.S. Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled (INSERT TITLE) Method for detecting micro-organisms and support used in said method

the specification of which

(Check one of
1, 2, or 3.)

1. X is attached hereto.
2. was filed on _____ as
International PCT Application Serial No. _____
and was amended on _____.
(if applicable)
3. was filed on _____ as
U.S. Application Serial No. _____
and was amended on _____.
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above -identified specification, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application for which priority is claimed:

(List prior foreign applications.)

<u>98/15501</u> (Number)	<u>FRANCE</u> (Country)	<u>4 December 1998</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)
<u> </u> (Number)	<u> </u> (Country)	<u> </u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)

See attached list for additional prior foreign applications

Priority Claimed
X Yes ___ No
Yes No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120, of any United States application listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

PCT/FR99/03003	3 December 1999	Abandoned
(Application Serial No.)	(Filing Date)	(Status)
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Daniel MONGET et al.

Serial Number: New Patent Application

Filed: June 1, 2001

For: METHOD FOR DETECTING MICRO-ORGANISMS
AND SUPPORT USED IN SAID METHOD

LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 1, 2001

Sir:

The Letter concerns the Declaration for New U.S. Patent Application ("Declaration") submitted herewith. Please consider the following points:

1. Inventor Residence - The address of the second inventor, Mr. Jean-Marc ROCHE, has changed and he has corrected the Declaration accordingly. The correct address is reproduced below to aid the Office in accurately recording this information:

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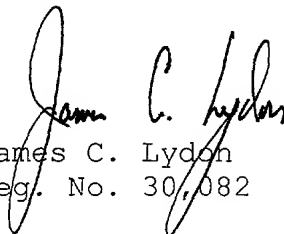
2. PCT/FR99/03003 - The Declaration lists the status of parent application PCT/FR99/03003 as "Abandoned". In fact, the parent application will not become abandoned

New Patent Appln. (Daniel MONGET et al.)
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until June 5, 2001. Thus, there is co-pendency between
this application and its parent PCT application.

Respectfully submitted,



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